

Marianas Medicaid Timeline

Kilili joined the decades-long effort to improve insular Medicaid, as the new Marianas Delegate in 2009. Eleven years later, great progress; but more work remains for full inclusion in Medicaid.

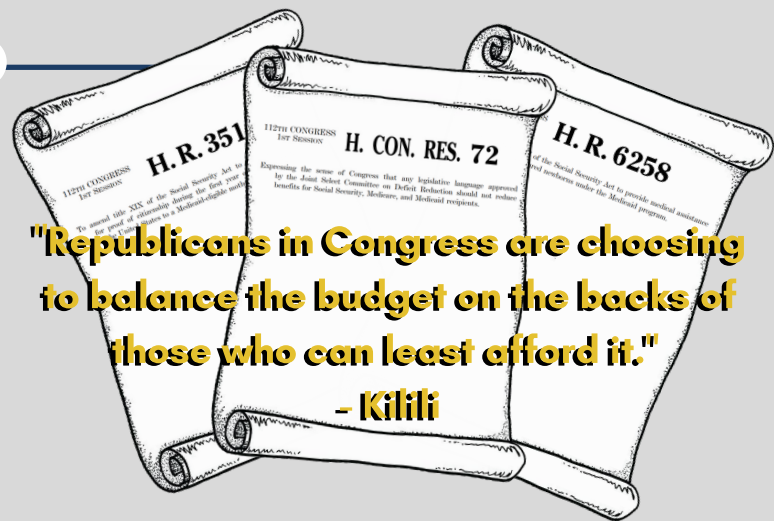


111th Congress

Kilili meets President Obama, together with Hispanic Caucus, to advocate for insular areas Medicaid funding. The result is an extra \$109 million for the Marianas over nine years and reduction of the local match required from 50 percent to 45 percent in the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act.

112th Congress

Protecting achievements in 111th Congress, Kilili attempts to block new Republican majority attempt to slash Marianas Medicaid by 65 percent. He works to expand access to healthcare for children.

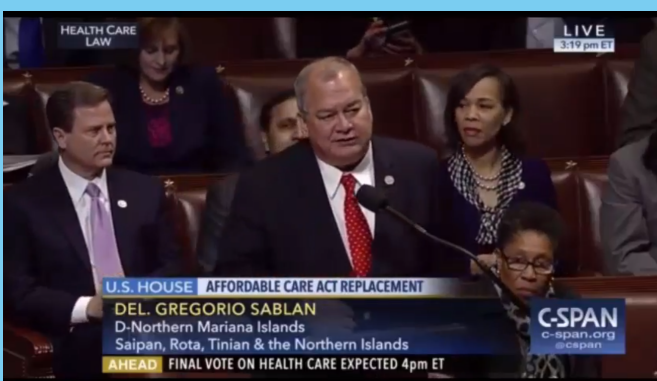


113th Congress

Kilili continues work with other Delegates advancing legislation to lift the Medicaid funding cap and lower local matching requirements for insular areas.

114th Congress

President Obama agrees with Kilili and other insular advocates, includes Medicaid state parity for insular areas in FY17 budget proposal.



115th Congress

As Republicans plan to repeal and replace Obamacare, Kilili advocates for equitable treatment for the insular area Medicaid programs in any new healthcare proposal. Repeal and replace ultimately fails.

116th Congress

With a Medicaid funding cliff looming, Kilili secures \$36 million emergency aid with amendment to disaster assistance bill and **\$8.2 million** from administration to keep the Marianas Medicaid program afloat.

Using his new position as Vice Chair of the House Committee on Natural Resources, Kilili calls hearing on insular area Medicaid cliff. This encourages House Health Subcommittee to hold similar hearing and leads to bipartisan agreement to extend insular area Medicaid funding.



To get Medicaid solution enacted, Kilili speaks before the House, repeatedly writes House and Senate leadership, and talks personally with House Speaker Nancy Pelosi. The result: inclusion of a 2-year, \$120 million Medicaid deal for the Marianas in the FY20 appropriations package enacted on December 20.

For the complete timeline of action, [click here](#).